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8. Colonel Miller has suddenly become interested in Military personnel assigned to duty with the Agency. As he put it, "I thought you people felt that civilians would do a better job in intelligence than the military!" He wants to know how many military personnel are assigned, how the number was determined, why assigned, for how long? McGruder and Miller seem opposed to the idea of military personnel being assigned the Agency, and that they could do far better serving the Agency from their parent organization in the Department of Defense. Miller feels he may be called upon to justify military assigned to the Agency, especially since the Department of Defense is suffering from a strict ceiling(TO).

9. Colonel Miller spent considerable time on the subject of recording, filing, and routing of material coming in to OSI (mail room). He realizes these procedures are the result of specific security regulations, but by the same token, he feels they are burdensome, overly-detailed, and in many instances, waste and useless effort.

10. 1300-1430 OSI (Nuclear Energy)

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11. One thing that Colonel Miller has asked consistently (which has not been mentioned to date) of every office he visits, "What does the covert side contribute to your efforts?" His assumption is that DD(P)'s contribution to DD(I)'s efforts are of no great consequence.

12. 1430-1530 Scientific Resources Division, OSI

The usual questions (i.e., "What do you do, who for, how, qualifications to do the job, TO, duplication possibilities, etc..."?)

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